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Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT— DISTRICT 2 AND SECTION 3-A AREA EXPANSION

Due to observations of pink salmon escapement in Cholmondeley Sound and Hetta Inlet during an aerial survey today, these areas will be open to harvest pink salmon in excess to escapement needs. All other lines, times, and restrictions from the seine announcement released on August 24, will remain in effect.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 27, 2021:

Cholmondeley Sound: will be open inside normal markers with the following restrictions:

<u>Cholmondeley Sound</u>: will be closed south of a line from a point approximately 1.3 nautical miles (nmi) northeast of Hump Island at 55°14.30′ N lat, 132°04.68′ W long to the westernmost tip of Hump Island at 55°13.61′ N lat, 132°07.33′ W long, to a point approximately 1.0 nmi west of the northernmost tip of Babe Island at 55°13.05′ N lat, 132°09.60′ W long;

West Arm of Cholmondeley: will be closed west of 132°22.00′ W long;

South Arm of Cholmondeley: will be closed south of 55°13.13′ N lat;

Sunny Cove: will be closed north of 55°15.00′ N lat;

All other salmon streams: will be closed within 200 yards of freshwater (stream channels remain closed).

District 3

The following area will be open to purse seining from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 27, 2021:

Section 3-A: Hetta Inlet will be open inside normal markers north of the latitude of Simmons Point at 55°12.38′ N lat with the following restrictions:

Copper Harbor: will be closed east of the longitude of Simmons Point at 132°37.72′ W long;

Deer Bay: will be closed west of 132°40.90′ W long;

<u>Portage Bay and Sulzer Pass</u>: will be closed east of the longitude of the eastern tip of Gould Island at 132°37.71′ W long;

All other salmon streams: will be closed within 200 yards of freshwater (stream channels remain closed).

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet Terminal Harvest Area (THA) must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas, Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Saturday, August 28, 2021.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S5821.

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